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Sen. Laura Toy to host presentation on identity theft

LANSING – State Sen. Laura M. Toy, 6th District, in cooperation with the Livonia Police Department, announced today that she is organizing a special presentation to educate residents about how to protect themselves from identity theft.

The featured speaker will be Sandra Hoffman, the interim director of the Identity Theft Program at Michigan State University.

"Unfortunately, identity theft continues to be a growing crime in our country," Sen. Toy said. "This is a great opportunity for people to learn the information that they don't get in the 30 second soundbite on the evening news, and what to do if they become a victim."

The event is on Monday, March 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Activity Room at the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road in Livonia.

All residents of Garden City, Livonia, Redford Township and Westland, and their guests are welcome to attend. There is no charge for the presentation.

"Being a well educated citizen is the best defense to many crimes, including identity theft," said Sgt. Jeff Teeter of the Livonia Police Department. "We are proud to help Senator Toy sponsor this important outreach for individuals."

For more information, residents can call Sen. Toy's office at (517) 373-1707 or visit her website at www.senate.michigan.gov/toy.

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